MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*) : (*a*) Rs. 50-5-70-10-120.

(*b*) Rs. 105 in the scale of Rs. 75-10-125-10-175.

(*c*) No.

(*d*) No.

(*e*) and (*f*) In view of the answers to parts (*c*) and (*d*) above, these questions do not arise.

MR. R. S. SUBRAHMANYA PILLAI (*Kalkulam* cum *Vilavankod*) : വിമൻസുകാളേജിലെ തമിഴ്പണ്ഡിറ്റിന്റെ ശമ്പളത്തോടു് ൪൦ രൂപാ മുതൽ ൫൨൫ രൂപാവരെ ആയിരിക്കെ ൫൪൫ രൂപാവരെ സ്കെയിലുള്ള ഒരു പണ്ഡിറ്റിനെ നിയമിക്കാനുള്ള കാരണമെന്താണ്?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*) : ഇതിനു നിശ്ചയിച്ചിട്ടുള്ള ശമ്പളത്തിനു വരത്തക്കവണ്ണമുള്ള കപാളിഫിക്കേഷനോടുകൂടിയ ആളുകളില്ലായിരുന്നു.

MR. R. S. SUBRAHMANYA PILLAI (*Kalkulam* cum *Vilavankod*): അങ്ങനെ കപാളിഫിക്കേഷനുള്ളവർ വരികയാണെങ്കിൽ ഈ മിനിമം ശമ്പളത്തിനു നിയമിക്കാൻ തയ്യാറുണ്ടോ?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*) : ഇപ്പോഴത്തെ ആളിനെ തല്ക്കാലത്തേയ്ക്കു മാത്രമേ നിയമിച്ചിട്ടുള്ളു. തക്കതായ കപാളിഫിക്കേഷനുള്ള ഒരു സ്ത്രീ അപേക്ഷിക്കയാണെങ്കിൽ അതിനെപ്പറ്റി ആലോചിക്കുന്നതാണ്.

MR. R. S. SUBRAHMANYA PILLAI (*Kalkulam* cum *Vilavankod*): ഇപ്രകാരം ൫൨൫ രൂപാ ശമ്പളത്തിൽ ഒരാളിനെ നിയമിക്കാൻ കൌൺസിലിന്റെ അനുവാദം ലഭിച്ചിട്ടുണ്ടോ?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*) : അതിലേക്കു കൌൺസിലിന്റെ അനുവാദം ആവശ്യമില്ല.

Expenditure for flood relief measures in the Kottayam Division in 1106.

10. MR. K. P. ABRAHAM (*Muvattupuzha* cum *Todupuzha*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) the amount spent by them in the Kottayam Division for relief measures in connection with the floods of 1106 ;

(*b*) the amount paid on account of travelling allowances to officers in the Kottayam Division for the above purpose ; and

(*c*) the name of the officer who received the largest amount of travelling allowance on that account

MR. R. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Financial Secretary to Government*) : (*a*) A sum of Rs. 2,406-16chs. has been spent up to the end of Tulam 1107 for relief measures in connection with the floods of 1106 in the Kottayam Division.

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[Mr. R. Nilakanta Pillai].

(*b*) The information is not available as the travelling allowance paid to officers for their journeys in connection with flood relief measures is not separately classified.

(*c*) This does not arise, in view of the answer to part (*b*) above.

Circular regarding filling of vacancies in the several offices.

11. **MR. E. V. KRISHNA PILLAI** (*Kottarakara* cum *Kunnattur*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether they have issued instructions to the various Departments not to fill up vacancies until otherwise ordered; and

(*b*) whether they are satisfied that the Heads of Departments adhere to such instructions, if any?

MR. R. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Financial Secretary to Government*): (*a*) A circular has been issued to all Heads of Departments and offices to the effect that all permanent vacancies should be left open pending final orders of the Government on the question of reduction of establishment charges.

(*b*) A circular has been issued by the Audit Department to all Heads of Departments and Offices to the effect that all drawing and countersigning officers of the establishment pay bills presented for encashment should furnish the following certificate in all monthly pay bills:—

"Certified that no person whose pay is claimed in this bill has been confirmed since the date of the Government circular No. Fl. 1444, dated the 3rd September 1931."

Interpellations received and answered during the Budget Session of the Council, 1106.

12. **MR. E. V. KRISHNA PILLAI** (*Kottarakara* cum *Kunnattur*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the number of interpellations put up by members of the Council before the last (1106) Budget session; and

(*b*) the number answered?

MR. C. O. MADHAVAN (*Ag. Secretary to Government*): (*a*) 239 questions were given notice of by the members, of which 225 were admitted.

(*b*) Answers to 132 questions were furnished to the Council.

MR. E. V. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Kottarakara* cum *Kunnattur*): May I know why the remaining questions are left unanswered?

MR. C. O. MADHAVAN (*Ag. Secretary to Government*): It is because information for answering those questions could not be obtained from the various departments in time.

MR. E. V. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Kottarakara* cum *Kunnattur*): So, are the officers not in default in not supplying information to the Government for answering the interpellations in time?

MR. C. O. MADHAVAN (*Ag. Secretary to Government*): It cannot be said that the officers are at fault. I consider it to be unjustifiable to

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